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Microsoft got its start in inovation and is contionous in these veins to build a strong company. Why must costly and unnessary leagal actions persist, even after bush administration and fedral government has endorsed the completion of this juducial wrangaling. Please for the world, nation, states, company, and mostly for the high cost that consumers will pay stop this wastful investigation! This matter will only give money to a handful of lawyers and hope to further the careers of some prosicutors who hope to use this as a platform from which to aide their political ambitions. It has grown time to resolve and rebuild not wound and drive at the very heart of U.S. economic strienght, where market influence can and will over time reduce this to a non-issue. Please urge all states to have a hands off approch to this matter. In hopes that these comments can help you decide. John B. Ritchie carlisle, MA. 01741